



# NOT News8

Wednesday January 25<sup>th</sup> 2006

## Session Times

Wednesday:

10 am            1.30 pm            5 pm

Thursday:

11 am            3 pm            8 pm

## NOT Dates For 2007

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> January to Monday 29<sup>th</sup>

Preceded by

**Last Train for Women and Seniors** Monday 15<sup>th</sup> and  
Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> January.

**Womens, Seniors and Restricted Teams** 17<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> January

**Open Last Train** 18<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup> January

**SWPT** 22<sup>nd</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> January

## ASE 8 and Bridgemates (Table top scorers) Demonstraion

Thursday 9 am – 10 am

Phil Gue will give a demonstration of Ian McKinnon's Windows-based scoring system ASE 8 and the Dutch Bridgemates wireless scorers.

He'll be happy to answer any questions about ASE8 which his club has been using for nearly 2 years and show how the table top scorers remove the need to type in scores, names etc (removing the need for travellers)

Thursday morning 9 am in the Lake Geneva Room on the 1<sup>st</sup> floor at Rydges, opposite the lifts



## TIM BOURKE'S PROBLEM

### STAND-INS

Dealer North; EW Vul.

#### NORTH

♠ Q 9 8 3  
♥ 6 3  
♦ A Q J 6 2  
♣ K 7

#### SOUTH

♠ K J 10 2  
♥ 8 4  
♦ K 9 3  
♣ A Q 9 3

West	North	East	South
	1♦	Pass	1♠
Pass	2♠	Pass	2 NT (forcing)
Pass	4♠	All pass	

West leads the king of hearts, which holds the trick. East takes the second round of hearts with the ace and plays a third heart. What do you make of that?

### Points of View

Kieran Dyke enjoyed this one from the Swiss, though whether Phil Markey and George Smolanko did is a completely different matter

Dealer: E	♠ A 8 7 6	SwPrs 8/26
	♥	
Vul: All	♦ K 10 9 7 4	
	♣ K 10 8 7	
♠ K Q 2		♠ 10 9 5
♥ A J 10 3		♥ K 8 7 6 4
♦ A		♦ 2
♣ A J 9 5 4		♣ Q 6 3 2
	♠ J 4 3	
	♥ Q 9 5 2	
	♦ Q J 8 6 5 3	
	♣	

Phil Markey risked a 1C opener as West and Kieran put in 1D. 1H from George saw Lynn Lovelock jump to 4D. Phil tried 4H and Kieran 5D. George bid 5H and Lynn found a Lightner double hoping to produce a club lead. There was, of course, one tiny flaw with this plan – Lynn was on lead. Phil sent this back and 5Hxx became the final contract.

Lynn led a diamond, taken by dummy's Ace. George cashed the Ace of trumps and ran the Jack to Lynn's Queen. Lynn played back a diamond, conceding a ruff / sluff which George utilised to pitch a spade from hand. The 10 of trumps was cashed and the King of spades was led. Kieran took his Ace and played a spade back to dummy's Queen. George ruffed a spade and drew the last rump to leave:

	♠	
	♥	
	♦ 10	
	♣ K 10 8	
♠		♠
♥		♥
♦		♦
♣ A J 9 5		♣ Q 6 3 2
	♠	
	♥	
	♦ Q J 8 6	
	♣	

George led a small club towards dummy and, when Lynn showed out, he said, "Bother".

Shortly thereafter, the scorer said 1600.

## Defensive Measures

A variety of cute defences follows. The first is from Canadian visitors, Demuy and Wolpert.

Adam Sarten gave me this one where he felt that every time the defence switched, he just got screwed in a new way.

Dealer: E	♠ Q 9 2	Teams 3/6
	♥ K 8 6	
Vul: EW	♦ J 10 7 3	
	♣ Q J 2	
♠ 7 3		♠ A 10 5 4
♥ A Q J 5		♥ 9 4 2
♦ 9 8 6		♦ A Q 5 2
♣ 10 8 5 3		♣ A 6
	♠ K J 8 6	
	♥ 10 7 3	
	♦ K 4	
	♣ K 9 7 4	

Adam was West, playing with Sara Tishler and declared 1NT. The 4 of clubs was led to the Jack and Ace. Adam played the 2 of hearts to the 10 and

dummy's Queen scored. He now took an unsuccessful diamond finesse for South to switch to the 9 of clubs. Adam allowed North's Queen to stand up and North went back to diamonds with the Jack, Adam ducking. Out came the 9 of spades which won the trick followed by the Queen. When the 2 of spades appeared next, Adam took his Ace and dummy was squeezed out of a club. Declarer tried a heart to the Jack but North took his King to play the 2 of clubs to South's King. A club was cashed and then the defence graciously conceded the last 2 tricks to the red Aces.

Next up we have Paul Lavings whose exploits were described to me by Seamus Browne.

Dealer: W	♠ K 9 3	Teams 4/12
	♥ Q 7 6 3	
Vul: NS	♦ K Q 9 5	
	♣ A 2	
♠ 7 4		♠ 10 8 6 5
♥ A K 5 4 2		♥ 10 9 8
♦ A J 8 4 2		♦ 10
♣ 8		♣ Q J 9 7 3
	♠ A Q J 2	
	♥ J	
	♦ 7 6 3	
	♣ K 10 6 5 4	

West opened 1H and East responded 1S. 2D from West saw East give preference to 2H and there matters rested.

Paul opened with the 3 of trumps to Seamus's Jack and declarer's Ace. Declarer returned the singleton club and Paul stepped on this quickly with the Ace to play the deadly .....queen of trumps.

If declarer now attempts a diamond ruff in dummy, then Paul's 7 of hearts will be promoted. If he doesn't attempt the ruff then he's onl getting 5 hearts and a diamond. 2 off

A question for you before we look at the next. The opps have bid to a Moysian 4H. Your trump holding is Q 10 8 7 2. The contract went one off. How many defensive tricks did your trumps provide?

You may be surprised when Matthew McManus and Michael Ware go to work.

Dealer: E	♠ 10 6 5 2	Teams 4/18
	♥ K J 9 6	
Vul: NS	♦ 7	
	♣ 5 4 3 2	
♠ K 9 3		♠ J 7 4
♥ Q 10 8 7 2		♥ 4
♦ 5 3 2		♦ A 8 6 4
♣ A 9		♣ K Q J 8 6
	♠ A Q 8	
	♥ A 5 3	
	♦ K Q J 10 9	
	♣ 10 7	

North South contrived to reach 4H. Matthew, sitting West, thought this was a splendid idea. Michael led the King of clubs and continued the Queen to his partner's Ace. Matthew played a trump and declarer's 6 scored! The seven of diamonds was led from the closed hand and Michael took his Ace. Michael exited a spade to the Queen and King at which stage the defence already had 4 tricks to beat the contract and Matthew still had more trumps than anybody else. Matthew returned the spade 9 to the 10, Jack and Ace and dummy's 8 was established. Two rounds of diamonds were cashed for declarer to pitch clubs. The 8 of spades was cashed and then yet another diamond was played which Matthew did ruff, only to be over-ruffed in this situation

Dealer: E	♠ 6	
	♥ K J	
Vul: NS	♦	
	♣	
♠		♠
♥ Q 10 8		♥
♦		♦
♣		♣ J 8 6
	♠	
	♥ A 5	
	♦ J	
	♣	

The thirteenth spade was ruffed with the Ace while Matthew suffered the indignity of under-ruffing and was then trump couped by the Jack of diamonds.

British international, John Armstrong, found a great return only to suffer a Manual Dexterity Coup from partner, N Z international, Val Gardiner.

Dealer: W                      ♠ A Q 6 2                      Teams 4/16  
 Vul: EW                        ♥ K 2  
                                       ♦ 7 2  
                                       ♣ K 7 6 4 3

♠ 10 7 5    ♠ K 9 4 3  
 ♥ 9 8 7    ♥ J 4  
 ♦ K J 10 9 8 4                                    ♦ Q 6 3  
 ♣ 9    ♣ A Q 5 2

♠ J 8  
 ♥ A Q 10 6 5 3  
 ♦ A 5  
 ♣ J 10 8

South declared 4H and Val led the 9 of clubs to John's Queen. If John cashes the Ace of hearts before giving Val her ruff, then declarer has enough club tricks to come home on. John found the SMALL club but Val pulled a wrong card and didn't ruff. Just another push.

And then there were Andy Braithwaite and Bill Haughie.

Case 1

Dealer: S                        ♠ 6 5 4  
 Vul: Nil                         ♥ Q J 10 9 3  
                                       ♦ A Q 7 5  
                                       ♣ 7

♠ A J 2    ♠ K Q 9 7  
 ♥ 5     ♥ 8  
 ♦ 9 6 3    ♦ K J 10 8 2  
 ♣ A J 10 9 4 3                                   ♣ 8 6 2

♠ 10 8 3  
 ♥ A K 7 6 4 2  
 ♦ 4  
 ♣ K Q 5

The auction:

West	North	East	South
			1H
2C	4H	5C	5H
end			

Andy led the Ace of clubs. Bill produced the 8, somewhat higher than the lowest possible but surely not **the** highest (allowing for the raise to 5C). Therefore, it must show a card in both suits, inviting a safe switch. Andy envisaged something like

♠ K x x ♥ A K x x x x ♦ K x ♣ K x

in which case it would not be necessary to switch to a spade to beat 5H! It would be necessary to beat 4H but sadly Andy found a diamond – claim for 11 tricks.

### CASE 2

Andy and Bill could have cashed the first 5 tricks against 3NTx on this one

Dealer: S	♠ J 7 5 4 2 ♥ K 10 9 4 ♦ ♣ K 10 9 4	T5/15
Vul: NS		
♠ A K Q 9 6 3 ♥ Q 6 5 3 ♦ 5 4 ♣ 7	♠ ♥ A 8 7 ♦ Q J 10 9 2 ♣ A Q 6 5 3	♠ 10 8 ♥ J 2 ♦ A K 8 7 6 3 ♣ J 8 2

West	North	East	South
1S	X	P	1D
2S	P	P	2C
P	3NT	X	3C
			END

The defence could have gone A, K D; A K Q S for one off. But no .. it went

1o of spades ducked to the Jack and 5 rounds of clubs. Andy had to keep

♠ A K Q 9 5 ♥ Q 6 5 and hope Bill held J x of hearts to finally beat the contract. Andy thus took the last 5 tricks while Bill, the doubler, didn't take any.

### CASE 3

The auction

West	North	East	South
1D	X	1H	1S
2C	2S	3C	3S
P	4S	END	

Dealer: W	♠ K Q 9 2	TEAMS 5/12
	♥ K J 9 4	
Vul: NS	♦ 10	
	♣ Q J 4 2	
♠ J 4 3		♠ 8 6
♥		♥ A 8 7 2
♦ A Q J 8 6 5		♦ 7 3 2
♣ A 9 7 6		♣ K 10 5 3
	♠ A 10 7 5	
	♥ Q 10 6 5 3	
	♦ K 9 4	
	♣ 8	

Andy had his big chance! Underlead the Ace of clubs, Ace of hearts, heart ruff and Ace of diamonds. Sadly, he led the Ace of clubs and now there was no defence..

Had Andy underled, Bill would have had to play the King on the Queen, expecting declarer to hold a singleton Ace. Could he have done it?

Finally, Andy had the last laugh on board 6 when he won the first trick with the 4 of trumps

Dealer: E	♠ A Q J	Teams 5/6
	♥ A 6 3	
Vul: EW	♦ Q J 3	
	♣ A 7 5 4	
♠ K 3		♠ 10 8 7 6
♥ Q J 10 9 8 2		♥ K 7 5 4
♦ A 4 2		♦ K 5
♣ 9 6		♣ Q 10 8
	♠ 9 5 4 2	
	♥	
	♦ 10 8 7 6	
	♣ K J 3 2	

Andy was playing a heart contract from West and the lead was the 3 of trumps. After the 4 from dummy, South discarded and Andy delighted in showing Bill the 2 to demonstrate that you could , in fact, win the first trump trick by(effectively) finessing the 4 – a play Bill failed to find yesterday.

Mind you, not all defensive errors are gratuitous. Some get a little help from declarer . Starting with Norway's Boye Brogeland/

Dealer: S

♠ 6 5 4  
♥ Q J 10 9 3  
♦ A Q 7 5  
♣ 7

Temas 5/11

Vul: Nil

♠ A J 2  
♥ 5  
♦ 9 6 3  
♣ A J 10 9 4 3

♠ K Q 9 7  
♥ 8  
♦ K J 10 8 2  
♣ 8 6 2

♠ 10 8 3  
♥ A K 7 6 4 2  
♦ 4  
♣ K Q 5

Boye sat South facing countryman, Espen Erichson. The auction developed :

West	North	East	South
			1H
2C	3C	3D	4H
END			

Espen's 3C showed a singleton and invitational values. The 3 of diamonds was led and Boye took dummy's Ace. He immediately played the 7 of clubs and, when East played small, he inserted the 5!

West couldn't see the problem and played another diamond. Making 4!

## Eating Out

**CHAIRMAN & YIP**  
108 Bunda St Civic 62487109

**Bridge Banquet \$27.50 per person (min of 4 people)**

Fishcake with lime cucumber fish sauce dip  
Roasted duck pancakes  
Sesame spiced mushrooms

Oven baked ocean trout with cinnamon infused soy dressing  
Spicy shantung style lamb  
Chairman's red curry chicken  
Stir-fried beef with peppercorns

Coffee or tea  
Glass of house wine each

## Bobby McGee's Buffet – Wednesday

### Wednesday

Pumpkin soup

Bakers presentation of farmhouse white, wholemeal and sourdough rolls

Sourdough and sage stuffed leg of lamb

Scallop potatoes

Broccoli almondine

Trio of summer salads

Pavlova with wild berry compote

Fresh fruit platter

## International Class

Ashley Bach was most impressed by British International player John Armstrong's play on this one

Dealer: S	♠ A J 8 3 2	Teams 6/7
	♥ K J 6 2	
Vul: All	♦ A	
	♣ K 7 6	
♠ Q 7 4		♠ 6 5
♥ A Q 3		♥
♦ 10 8 5 3		♦ K Q 6 4 2
♣ A Q J		♣ 10 8 5 4 3 2
	♠ K 10 9	
	♥ 10 9 8 7 5 4	
	♦ J 9 7	
	♣ 9	

West	North	East	South
2NT	4H	4NT	2D
5D	5H	end	P

Ashley opened a revolting multi and West showed a strong no trump hand. John bid 4H – pass or correct and East tried for the minors. John eventually won in 5H.

The King of diamonds was led to the Ace, incidentally placing all the high card points (remember West has shown a strong no trump). John crossed to dummy's King of spades and played a club towards his hand. West took the Ace and returned a diamond for John to ruff. He cashed the King of clubs, pitching a diamond off table and ruffed a club. Now he played the 10 of hearts to West's Ace and unblocked his own Jack, to bring about

	♠ A J 8 3	
	♥ K 6	
	♦	
	♣	
♠ Q 7		♠ 6
♥ Q 3		♥
♦ 10 8		♦ Q 6 4
♣		♣ 10 8
	♠ 10 9	
	♥ 9 8 7 5	
	♦	
	♣	

West now cannot avoid putting the lead back on table, conceding a trick while so doing and allowing a major finesse as well.

## The Echo Coup

Ralph Parker and Andrew Mill combined to produce the rare Echo Coup on this one from round 5.

Dealer: N	♠ K 6 3	Teams 5/14
	♥ 10 8 7 6	
Vul: NS	♦ 7 2	
	♣ A 7 5 4	
♠ 10 8 5		♠ A J 9 4
♥ J 4		♥ A K 9
♦ 8 5 4 3		♦ A K 10 6
♣ K J 9 8		♣ Q 2
	♠ Q 7 2	
	♥ Q 5 3 2	
	♦ Q J 9	
	♣ 10 6 3	

After a pass from North, Andrew opened 2NT. South asked about this and Ralph apologised for not alerting an unusual no trump, saying that he very seldom played it. (Though apparently, more often than Andrew.)

South passed, and Ralph, impressed by his minor length jumped to 4C. Having heard the explanation, Andrew had to pretend that he hadn't – in which case 4C would say "Excuse me partner, but could you possibly tell me how many Aces you have?" So he responded 4NT to show 3.

Meanwhile back in the West seat, Ralph looked at the 4NT bid and heard the echo - "Excuse me partner, but could you possibly tell me how many Aces you have?" So he bid 5D and in that splendid spot they rested.

## PENNY'S BLANKET RAFFLE

**is being drawn on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> January at 1:30pm. All proceeds are going to cancer research.**

**Tickets are available at the book stall at Rydges and the Convention Centre.**

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## SOLUTION TO TIM BOURKE' PROBLEM

The play suggests that East has four trumps. If so, his idea is to take the ace of trumps on the third round, at the point where you have only one trump left, and play a fourth heart. If this happens it will set up a second trump trick for the defence:

	♠ Q 9 8 3	
	♥ 6 3	
	♦ A Q J 6 2	
	♣ K 7	
♠ 5		♠ A 7 6 4
♥ K Q 10 7 5		♥ A J 9 2
♦ 8 7 5		♦ 10 4
♣ J 6 4 2		♣ 10 8 5
	♠ K J 10 2	
	♥ 8 4	
	♦ K 9 3	
	♣ A Q 9 3	

There is only one way to frustrate this possible defence; discard a diamond from hand on the third heart and ruff in the dummy. When East holds up on the first two rounds of trumps, you abandon the trump suit and run the diamonds instead. However, as a safety play, cash a club winner first. This combination leaves East with no way to score a second trump trick. If he ruffs a diamond low, you will overruff in hand and continue to play minor-suit winners. If he declines to ruff, you will continue with the diamonds, throwing the three remaining clubs from your hand and make ten tricks that way.

A trap is not cashing a club winner early for then East can discard three clubs and you will lose an embarrassing fourth trick.

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**PROGRESS IN THE SWPT  
RYDGES**

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<b>2</b>	Bourke	<b>125</b>
<b>3</b>	Morrison	<b>122</b>
<b>4</b>	Penline	<b>121</b>
<b>5</b>	Burgess	<b>120</b>
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<b>12</b>	Waters	<b>113</b>
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**DATUMS  
ROUND 4  
RYDGES**

1	200
2	-390
3	430
4	290
5	-540
6	-750
7	-140
8	-270
9	-70
10	90
11	-100
12	300
13	60
14	-110
15	-80
16	270
17	-340
18	70
19	-590
20	-100

**ROUND 5**

1	-40
2	430
3	420
4	410
5	-190
6	40
7	400
8	310
9	380
10	1170
11	210
12	160
13	100
14	-430
15	-60
16	320
17	-360
18	230
19	-490
20	10

**ROUND 6**

1	190
2	820
3	120
4	1430
5	700
6	-250
7	330
8	-80
9	-20
10	0
11	390
12	600
13	430
14	340
15	320
16	100
17	-250
18	140
19	-90
20	-490

**NCC**

1	70
2	-420
3	410
4	580
5	-480
6	-670
7	-170
8	-420
9	-100
10	130
11	-110
12	280
13	110
14	-120
15	-160
16	390
17	-400
18	20
19	-510
20	-10

1	-20
2	240
3	490
4	530
5	-120
6	10
7	400
8	120
9	430
10	680
11	10
12	30
13	50
14	-430
15	250
16	400
17	-450
18	240
19	-440
20	-80

1	90
2	650
3	120
4	1210
5	630
6	-130
7	520
8	-70
9	40
10	-40
11	440
12	760
13	550
14	400
15	280
16	0
17	-140
18	30
19	110
20	-630